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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGER, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 156 & 164, Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILLS, 131, Cannon Street, E.C. PARIS AND EUROPE.—AMERIQUE PRINCE PARIS, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW-YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row. SAN FRANCISCO and American Posts generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney. CEYLON.—W. M. SMITH & Co., The APOTHECARY'S Co., Colombo. SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLOR & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINSSEN & Co., Manila. CHINA.—MAGNO, F. A. DE CRUZ, Steamer QUEUCH & Co., Amoy. N. MOLINE, Foochow. HENRY & Co., Shanghai. LANE, CRAVEN & Co., Shantung, KELLY & WALSH, Yunnan, LANE, CRAVEN & Co., and KELLY & Co.

Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours will be from 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, June 7, 1887.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$ 200,000
RESERVE FOR DIVIDENDS.....\$ 200,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
PRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—A. MOYER, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—M. GROTTI, Esq.
Hon. J. BILL IRVING, Esq.
C. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq.
W. H. F. DAWY, Esq.
H. L. DAHLYMPH, Esq.
Hon. F. D. SAISON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
Thomas JACKSON, Esq.
Acting Chief Manager—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
Shanghai, Ewen CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG,
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months—3 per cent. per annum.
6 " 4 per cent. "
12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BANK DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the other commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 28, 1886.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. LOUIS PIRON in our Firm ceased on the 1st January, 1887—

HAHN, PIRON & Co.

Mr. GEORGE SACHSE has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from the 1st of January, 1887.

HAHN, PIRON & Co.
Hongkong, January 14, 1887.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. ED. MILLER to SIGN BILLS OF LADING in our Name from this date.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, November 29, 1886.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will ENTER into PARTNERSHIP on the 1st January, 1887, in SHARE and GENERAL BROKERS, under the Style of Firm of HUGHES & EZRA.

E. JONES HUGHES
N. J. EZRA.

Hongkong, December 31, 1886.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 26th day of February current, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1886.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 1, 1887.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th day February current (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 1, 1887.

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CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,

Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

**NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND
MEDICO-BIOLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.**

VICTORIANA, CELESTRIAN,
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.

RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES,
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS,
NAUTICAL BOOKS.

ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE,
CHRISTOFLE & CO.'S ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE,
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY,
in great variety.

DIAMOND'S
AND—
DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON
PATTERNS, at very moderate prices.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be Held in the OFFICES of the Company, No. 14, Praya, Central, on SATURDAY, the 26th February, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and Statement of Accounts to December 31,

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

DAVID GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 19, 1887.

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GRIFFITH'S PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO.

1, DUDDELL STREET,
HONGKONG.

OWING to EXPIRATION OF LEASE, these PREMISES will be CLOSED in MARCH next.

Mr. GRIFFITH requests of those who have favoured him with sittings and desiring more Copies that they will forward him their Orders at earliest date, and he would be glad to Lease suitable Premises in a good Central position.

Hongkong, January 29, 1887.

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PUNJOMI AND SUNGHIE DUA
SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 4, Club Chambers, on TUESDAY, the 8th February, 1887, at 4 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Account.

A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1887.

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NOTICE.

TO LEASE.

THE SPACIOUS PREMISES known as The

Hongkong Steam Laundry Company (Limited), comprising:

A SIX-ROOMED DWELLING,

SPACIOUS DRYING ROOM

WHICH CAN BE UTILIZED AS A

GODOWN, & YARD,

AND—

INLAND LOTS, Nos. 742 and 743,

upon which it stands, measuring about

24,000 Square Feet.

Also,

FOR SALE.

1 HORIZONTAL STEAM ENGINE AND BOILER.

1 MCALPIN WASHING MACHINE FOR HEAVY WORK.

1 DO. NEW WASHING MACHINE FOR HEAVY WORK.

1 DASH WHEEL RINSE MACHINE.

1 DO. DO. NEW CENTRIFUGAL MACHINE FOR Wringing.

1 SET OF FOUR COPPER BOILERS.

1 STABLING MACHINE.

2 IRON STOVES FOR HEATING IRONS.

1 COMPLETE DRYING CLOSET, WITH TWENTY HORSES.

1 DECOROUS IRONING MACHINE.

1 DO. DO. DO.

1 MANGLE, WITH DRIVING AND REVERSING GEAR.

A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 27, 1887.

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Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

BE TO CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THEIR

LARGE AND VARIED STOCK OF

the following:

SOLID LEATHER PORTMANTEAUS.

PATENT LEATHER PORTMANTEAUS.

WATER-PROOF CANVAS OVERLAND TRUNKS.

AMERICAN CABIN TRUNKS.

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN-MADE GLADESTONE BAGS & VALISES.

FITTED TRAVELLING BAGS AND CASES.

PATENT STEEL 'P. & O.' CABIN TRUNKS.

PATENT STEEL DRESS TRUNKS.

LADIES' SARATOGA TRUNKS.

THE CHINA MAIL

[No. 7323.—FEBRUARY 2, 1887.]

Entertainments.

GRAND OPENING OF THE HONG KONG SEASON.
SALINGER'S ENGLISH OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY,

CITY HALL.

TO-MORROW EVENING,
3rd February, 1887.

Business Manager—Mr. N. SALINGER.
Stage Manager—Mr. ARTHUR RIGBY.

The Ever-welcome and Ever-green Comic Opera by GILBERT AND SULLIVAN:

H. M. S. 'PINAFORE'

Characters:

The Rt. Hon'ble Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.—First Mr. Arthur Rigby.

Lord of the Admiralty ... Mr. Arthur Rigby.

Captain Corcoran—Commanding H. M. S. Pinfore... Mr. Frank D'Este.

Ralph Rackstraw—Abbie Seaman ... Mr. Arthur Fawcett.

Dick Deadeye—Abbie Seaman ... Mr. Herbert Salinger.

Bill Bobtail—Boatman's Mate ... Mr. G. C. Wilson.

Tom Tucker—Midshipmate ... Master M. Salinger.

Josephine—The Captain's Daughter ... Miss Tilly Saroney.

Hebe—Sir Joseph's First Cousin ... Miss Alice Emmett.

Leona—Sir Joseph's Second Cousin ... Mrs. N. Salinger.

Little Buttercup—A Bumboat Woman ... Miss Lora Salinger.

Chorus of Sailors.

SOME—DECK H. M. S. 'PINFORE'

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Draw Circle and Stalls, ... 82.

Box Seats, ... 81.

To avoid disappointment secure your seats early.

Reserved Seats may be booked at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Limited, where a Plan of the Hall may be seen.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half-Price to Box Seats only.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9.

Hongkong, February 2, 1887. 172

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
11th and 12th February, 1887.

Will be held from 8 to 12 P.M.

A FANCY FAIR AND FETE

IN AID OF THE ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL ORGAN FUND.

The Fair will be held in St. George's Hall, which will be converted for the occasion into 'A MEDIEVAL VILLAGE.'

Presided over by Russians, Swiss, Italians, Dames de la Rod Cross, Vivandières, La Flûte du Régiment, Watteau, Shepherdesses, Flower Girls, the Seasons, Ladies of the Last Century, &c., &c.

'A WHEEL OF FORTUNE,' Under the superintendence of MOTHER HUBBARD, DAME TROT, AND MOTHER GOOSE.

'A GIPSY ENCAMPMENT.'

FORTUNE TELLING, ... WELL OF TRUTH WEIGHING CHAIR, ... &c., &c.

IN THE THEATRE will be performed at 10 P.M. on each evening.

AN ENTIRELY NEW AND ORIGINAL BURLESQUE ENTITLED THE LILY OF THE (HAPPY) VALLEY;

or,

THE TEST, THE TOUC AND THE TAPAN, By the Author of 'Buttercup Bower.'

IN THE ST. ANDREW'S HALL PANORAMA DESCRIPTIVE OF THE 'WAR IN THE SOUDAN.'

Specially painted for this occasion by HERM. LOUIS KLEIN, of London.

ADMISSION, ONE DOLLAR.

Children, Soldiers, Sailors, and Police, 50 Cents.

TICKETS may be obtained from MESSRS. KELLY & WALSH; LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.; and W. BAWER.

TICKETS for the bazaar may be obtained from MESSRS. KELLY & WALSH.

DRESS CIRCLE (numbered and reserved) ... 81.

STALLS ... 50 Cents.

A SPECIAL AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE of the PANORAMA for CHILDREN will take place on SATURDAY, 12th February, at 5 P.M. Admission, 50 Cents.

Hongkong, January 31, 1887. 173

Notices to Consignees.

STEAMSHIP NURNBERG, FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above-named Steamer having ar-

ived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be landed here in Hongkong unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day, the 30th Inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 6th February will be subject to rent.

All broken, shaded, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 6th February, at 4 p.m.

Any Claims must reach us before the 10th February, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 31, 1887. 194

Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE

THE Company's S.S. *Kaiwo*, having

arrived from the above Ports, Consignees

of their Goods are hereby informed that

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into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND

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No Fire Insurance has been effected, and

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The French mail which left this port on the 26th December per Amazone was delivered in London on the 28th Jan.

W. T. Laker's Almanack for 1887, just to hand, again shows a substantial increase in size and usefulness of its predecessor. Much of the work has been recast, and many of the more popular portions have been largely extended, the increase of 160 pages permitting of greater elaboration than was possible in former editions. Among the most interesting additions is an article enumerating the chief events of Her Majesty's Jubilee. Some idea of the number of the new subjects dealt with may be formed when it is mentioned that the table of contents is increased by about three closely-printed columns. The book is printed and bound in the usual careful style by the publishers.

The Salinger Opera Co., which will give its first performance to-morrow evening in the Theatre Royal, has for the past two years been constantly travelling throughout India, has visited all the large towns of the Indian Empire, as well as nearly all the hill stations, and has, we believe, proceeded further inland than any other opera company. It has everywhere been very popular, and the tour, we are glad to learn, has been a financial success. In Piasa, the Opera to be produced to-morrow night, the Company has always made a hit, and some of the members are said to make exceptionally clever impersonators of the characters in Gilbert and Sullivan's first-born. To-morrow night, however, Hongkong theatre-goers will have an opportunity of judging for themselves, and we trust they will turn out in large numbers to patronise the Salingers.

We mentioned a day or two since that large consignments of opium had been sent hence to Canton upon some arrangement entered into with the Lekin Farmer. It is now stated that this opium (amounting to something like 1800 chests) has been detained in the godowns of Messrs Deacon and Co. by the Customs authorities. The dispute, of course, arises out of the enforcement of the new tariff under the Additional Agreement of the Chefoo Convention, and the merits of the claim made by the Customs are at present difficult to realise, until the exact circumstances are known. Probably the difficulty has arisen between the Lekin Farmer and the Customs authorities, who have evidently failed to come to terms as to the change of tariff. In the meantime, at all events, this large consignment of the drug is held in possession, as we have heard, to Peking. One thing appears to be certain, that the Chinese Superintendent (*Tsung Jun*) was not prompt in his announcement of the change of tariff as were his brother officials at the Northern Port. But this fact would not have possessed much significance had an adequate and satisfactory arrangement been arrived at between the retiring Lekin Farmer and the collection of the new tariff.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG THE CHINESE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Feb. 2nd, 1887.

Sir.—From the proceedings of the Sanitary Board, now published, it appears that the Board wish the Registrar General to supply them with statistics of the causes of death among the Chinese. The causes of death among the Chinese are known to nobody, being mere matter of conjecture. When, then, will the Registrar General obtain these statistics, and what will they be worth?

Further, a coolie reports the death of a friend or relative from "triumatic nescient" or "windy spans," who can tell that the deceased has not been dead due to death with poison or violence? What safeguards do the Chinese possess?—Yours truly,

SINENSIS.

BILLS OF HEALTH FOR SAIGON.

We have been requested to publish the following Correspondence:

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Hongkong, Feb. 2nd, 1887.

Dear Sir,—I am directed to transmit to you, for public information through the columns of your newspaper, the enclosed copy of a letter, forwarded to the Chamber by the Acting Colonial Secretary, respecting Bills of Health to be supplied to vessels proceeding to Saigon.—I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

H. U. JEFFRIES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Editor China Mail.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE ACTING SECRETARY OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

1st February, 1887.

Sir.—I have the honour, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, to transmit, for the information of the Chamber, copy of a letter and enclosure from the Acting Consul for France, respecting Bills of Health to be supplied to vessels proceeding to Saigon.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant.

FREDERICK STREW,
Acting Colonial Secretary,
H. U. Jeffries, Esq., Acting Secretary
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

THE ACTING CONSUL FOR FRANCE TO THE ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(Translation.)

French Consulate,

Hongkong, 29th January, 1887.

Monsieur the Colonial Secretary.

A commercial firm of this town addressed an inquiry to the Consulate a few days ago as to whether it was necessary that merchant vessels proceeding to Saigon should be provided with bills of health counterfoiled at the Consulate.

Having referred this inquiry to M. le Gouverneur de French Cochinchine, I have to-day received from him a telegraphic reply deciding the question in the affirmative—a reply of which I think it right to send you the enclosed.

You will see, Monsieur the Colonial Secretary, whether it is necessary to communicate the information to the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce.

Accept the assurance of the high consideration with which I have the honour to

so, Monsieur the Colonial Secretary, your very obedient servant,

(Signed) J. RIGGERT.
[Enclosure.]

DIRECTEUR INTERIEUR TO CONSUL FRANCE,
HONGKONG.

Saigon, 29th January, 1887.

Patent [Bill of Health] required for all
vessels coming to Saigon.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO.

The half yearly meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Limited, was held in the office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, this afternoon. Those present were:

Hon. P. Ryrie (Chairman), Hon. J. Bell Irving, Messrs F. A. Gomes and J. B. Elliot Directors; Messrs W. H. Bay and E. George, J. H. Cox, H. N. Moly, A. S. Cohen, J. X. Conlin, A. P. Costa, L. d'A. Rosa, P. Jordan, H. M. Knail and T. Arnold, Stockholders.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts I have not much to say, the Report itself going into particulars pretty fully. We all know that the trade between here and Canton has not been brisk within the last few months. At the same time I think that the accounts which we have laid before you are to a considerable extent satisfactory. You are aware from this report that a new steamer is now in course of construction and will be despatched in April next for England. Her cost is certainly moderate, and after the addition of the expenses of her coming out, which may be reduced by earnings in the course of freight, she will perhaps be the cheapest steamer that ever was laid down in China. You will see that we have had very considerable expenses to defray within the past six months, but we hope that our expenses during the succeeding six months will not be so great. We have had to pay, as you know, a sum for the wharf at Canton, and also for considerable repairs to the *Partridge* for her own services and one by the *Partridge* for the services of Messrs Horton & Co.

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The Acting Attorney General—There is no claim for services rendered when the steamer was brought to the port.

The Chief Justice—There is a matter of fact that they did claim through the *Partridge*. There were practically three claims, one by Messrs Schomburg & Co., one by the *Partridge* for her own services and one by the *Partridge* for the services of Messrs Horton & Co.

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